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1. [REDACTED] reported that Bob Amory had concurred in the cover paper for the National Photographic Interpretation Center and that General Cabell also had approved. I advised Jim Garrison so that he could proceed without delay on the telephone system. H

2. Mr. Kirkpatrick telephoned to say that when he and Pat Coyne were having lunch with Mr. McCone yesterday Mr. McCone told Pat that he had been very much disturbed about the Comptroller's briefing on Wednesday, 10 January, at which time he had received the impression that some 60 per cent of the Agency's funds (for the Clandestine Service) were not properly controlled, etc. He expressed his desire to have a section of the Office of the Comptroller set up so as to ensure the same kind of control over funds for the Clandestine Service as we have in the rest of the Agency. I explained to Kirk that it was unfortunate that Mr. Saunders was unable to finish his briefing and that Mr. McCone had obtained this impression. I committed myself to get a paper to Kirk by Monday setting forth the problems which we feel we have in the Office of the Comptroller, together with recommendations for correction. H

3. I met with Ed Saunders and Larry Houston to discuss the question of whether we should pay for PCS moves because of the relocation of our headquarters from Washington, D. C., to Langley. Larry felt that we might have to get the Comptroller General's opinion and that the next step would be to discuss this with him. (He will try to do this on Monday, 15 January.)

4. Larry assured me that he was drafting a general delegation of authority from the Director of Central Intelligence to the Deputy Director and that he felt this would cover everything except the termination of personnel which he felt strongly could not be delegated.

5. Larry discussed with me a recent case in which a man grade GS-15 was being retired and immediately picked up as an "independent contractor" giving him a net increase in salary of several thousand dollars. When we learned of this he had rendered an adverse opinion which had been accepted. I asked Larry to talk to Emmett about this as well as the similar career agent problem which I had discussed with Emmett some time ago. Larry reported later that he had a very satisfactory talk with Emmett and that he had prepared a paper on the career agent problem which would be ready for my consideration soon.

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6. I talked with [REDACTED] about Project [REDACTED] and re-emphasized to him the necessity for correcting all discrepancies noted in the recent audit report and ensuring that the same or similar discrepancies would not occur in current operations.

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7. I noted in the letter from the Bureau of the Budget concerning our 1963 funds that the last paragraph concerning the IO Division was inconsistent with my prior understanding. I asked Ed Saunders to try to negotiate this out as soon as possible.

8. Jim Garrison advised me that the bill for Mr. McCone's personal printing was \$145, and I asked him to work this out in some way with the Comptroller so that the Agency could be reimbursed.

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9. General Cabell met with Shef Edwards, [REDACTED] John Tietjen, Larry Houston, and me to discuss the question of employment of Negroes. None of these Office Heads and Staff Chiefs have Negroes in their organizations at the moment and had reasons why they preferred not to have them. General Cabell made it clear that he thought times had overtaken us and that we should not fight a rear guard action along these lines any longer. We accepted a program to try to get a least one Negro in each of these offices. I stated that I felt we should try initially to obtain people by lateral transfer and that Shef probably should have one investigator and one clerk. I also said that we should continue our efforts to get men in the JOT program; the Audit Staff should try to get one clerk and one auditor; the Medical Staff, either a clerk or a technician; and the General Counsel, a clerk.

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I agreed with Vernon that if we should be billed for [REDACTED] salary we would pay it up until 1 July but we could not pay it after that.

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11. General Cabell talked to me about [REDACTED] audit of Project [REDACTED]. He saw no point in sending it to the Director. I assured him that I would follow up to see that the discrepancies were corrected unless exceptions were granted by competent authority. He suggested that we consider the possibility of setting up a Board of Appeals to consider the "Write off" when exceptions were requested. I told him that I would do this.

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12. Emmett Echols called to say that [REDACTED] was going to the West Coast to a Regional Recruiters Conference and wished to discuss with one of the West Coast recruiters the possibility of coming to Washington to be the Chief of our Recruitment Staff. While I do not know this man, Emmett thought well of him and told [REDACTED] to explore this without making any final commitment.

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13. Emmett reported that [REDACTED] had attended a meeting at the Department of State to which Henry Ford had invited us. The general subject was the health of and supply for our people in Africa. This led to a recommendation that we establish a central supply facility in [REDACTED]. Frank Ecker from the Bureau of the Budget said that he favored this action. With my permission Emmett has transferred this to Jim Garrison who will pursue the matter from here.

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14. [REDACTED] called to inquire as to who knew the most about the [REDACTED] tion, and I told him that Ed Saunders would from this side of the house and probably Gerry [REDACTED] from the DD/P side. He said that I should do nothing further unless he requested me to do so. I gathered that Messrs. [REDACTED] were having dinner with Mr. McCone on the seventeenth of January.

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15. [REDACTED] telephoned about using some more space in South Building for Mr. Dulles, and I asked Jim Garrison to get someone in touch with Walt to sort out his problem.

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16. John Tietjen indicated that he would like to promote [REDACTED] to a grade GS-16. (I have asked him to get the action to me as soon as possible.) Apparently, no other offices, except the Office of Logistics, have any recommendations to make at this time. Larry Houston would like to promote [REDACTED] to a grade GS-18, and Shef Edwards would like [REDACTED] promoted, but they do not have any vacancies. 25X1A9a

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17. I met with [REDACTED] to talk about our adjustment of space on the seventh floor. They have several schemes which are workable, although all would entail some delay and I have asked them to prepare two others which would merely bring all of [REDACTED] Staff now on the first floor up to the seventh floor. This would cause a relocation of part and possibly all of the General Counsel's office. H

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